

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
BERGEN COUNTY, N.J.
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 15, 2011
7:15 PM**

Council President Manna called the meeting to order at 7:30PM. He apologized for starting the meeting late and explained that there were issues the Governing Body had to address at the Executive Meeting. He also stated that Mayor McHale was ill.

Flag Salute; Silent Prayer Moment of Silence in Memory of Ryan Gartner

Sunshine Law: The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey have been satisfied by the inclusion of the date, time and place of this regular meeting in the annual schedule and notice of regular meetings of this Governing Body. Such annual schedule and notice of regular meetings is posted at Borough Hall, was sent to *The Record* and the *Press Journal*, posted on the Borough website and filed with the Borough of Dumont.

Roll Call:

Council members Caspare, Freeman, Manna, Stylianou, Zamechansky-present
Councilman Carrick-excused absence
Mayor McHale-excused absence

Motion to accept agenda as presented: Councilman Stylianou
Second: Councilman Freeman
All in favor.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the January 18, 2011 Executive meeting minutes: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

Roll call vote: Council members Freeman, Stylianou, Zamechansky, Council President Manna-yes

Councilman Caspare-abstained.

Motion to approve the January 18, 2011 Public meeting minutes: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

Roll call vote: Council members Carrick, Freeman, Stylianou, Zamechansky, Council President Manna-yes

Councilman Caspare-abstained

Motion to approve the January 18, 2011 Closed session minutes: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

Roll call vote: Council members Freeman, Stylianou, Zamechansky, Council President Manna-yes

Councilman Caspare-abstained

Administrator's Report

Mr. Perkins stated that a memorial service will be held at St. Mary's February 26, 2011 at 10AM for Ryan Gartner, who was killed in the line of duty in Afghanistan.

PSE&G will be coming into town with no notification to put solar panels on some of the light poles. These panels will add more power to the grid.

\$595 was received from the bus shelter company.

\$151,000 was received in Cablevision franchise fees.

\$60,178 was received from Verizon franchise.

Mr. Perkins was asked by the State to represent municipalities in the Emergency Preparedness Task Force.

Council Committee Reports

- Councilman Stylianou

5K Run

Volunteers are needed.

Board of Education

He attended the meeting last month at which budgetary-related issues were discussed.

Katie Rosa was named "Athlete of the Week"

The Councilman was unable to attend last week's meeting because his car was hit head-on. He thanked the Police Department and Ambulance Corps for their responsiveness and service.

- Councilwoman Zamechansky

There was a fire on her street, which claimed the life of a 102 year old. She commended the Police, Fire and Ambulance Corps for their service and long hours that night.

Chamber of Commerce

She attended a meeting last week, which was held at night. Attendance was low.

The website is www.dumontchamber.org

Senior Citizens

Yesterday she and Councilman Manna attended the Valentine's Day party.

Their "Meet and Greet" is on March 6th.

Police

The Dispatch Center received 2,508 calls and issued 629 motor vehicle summonses in January.

- Councilman Freeman

Finance

The Committee met last Saturday. If the state aid is the same as last year, \$700,000 has to be cut from the budget just to get to the 2% cap. Councilmembers Manna and Zamechansky are on the committee and are experienced with some unique ideas worth exploring.

- Councilman Caspare

Rent Leveling Board

He was at a meeting last night at which a tenant had filed a complaint that she was overcharged for her PSE&G bill

Library

They are looking for a new trustee.

22,000 books were loaned out in 2010.

DPW

The night of the Super Bowl a sewer main broke on Veteran's Plaza. The duration of the repair was eight hours.

- Councilman Manna

There will be a fundraiser for the daughter of Dumont Hardware's John Salisbury February 25th at the Knights of Columbus. She is 44 years old, has four children and has been diagnosed with a rare disease.

Review of Consent Agenda Items: All items with an asterisk are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one motion. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a member of the public or a Council member. Also, any item may be removed for further discussion or for roll call vote in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the general order of business.

RESOLUTIONS

- #11-58 Approval of Execution of 2011 Shared Services Agreement for Health Officer, Nursing, Sanitarian and Animal Control Services-\$87,464.88 *
- #11-59 Rejection of Bids for Lease of Borough-owned Communications Tower and Authorization to Readvertise for Bids *
- #11-60 Endorsement of NEA's "Read Across America" *
- #11-61 Authorization of Tax Appeal Settlement-Block 724, Lot 17 *
- #11-63 Collette Parisi-Hire as Substitute Crossing Guard- \$14.25 per hour *
- #11-64 Edwin Pomeroy-Appointment to Borough Ethics Board *
- #11-65 Vincent Dunkin-Accept Application to the Dumont Fire Department *
- #11-66 Michael McGloin-Accept Application to the Dumont Fire Department *
- #11-67 Anthony Guercio-Accept Application to the Dumont Fire Department *
- #11-68 Edward Buzak, Esq.-Award of Non-fair and Open Contract for Special Counsel Services-not to exceed \$1,000 *
- #11-70 Approval of Lovell J. Honiss PTA Off-premise 50/50 Cash Raffle to be held March 12, 2011; RL#332, ID#109-5-34953 *
- #11-71 Approval of Lovell J. Honiss PTA On-premise Merchandise Raffle to be held March 12, 2011; RL#333, ID#109-5-34953 *
- #11-72 Approval of Release of CVS Pharmacy Performance and Cash Bonds *
- #11-73 Appointment of McNerney & Associates-Borough Appraiser for the year 2011 *
- #11-74 Appointment of Breslin & Breslin-Borough Prosecutor for the year 2011 *
- #11-75 Appointment of Borough Alternate Prosecutor-Morrison Mahoney- for the year 2011 *
- #11-76 Appointment of Mateo Perez, Esq.-Public Defender for the year 2011 *
- #11-77 Approval of Lincoln School PTO On-premise Merchandise Raffle to be held April 9, 2011; RL#334, ID#109-5-30683 *
- #11-78 Approval of Lincoln School PTO On-premise 50/50 Cash Raffle to be held April 9, 2011; RL#335, ID#109-5-30683 *

Motion: Councilman Freeman

Second: Councilman Stylianou

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Freeman

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

Motion to close: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Roll call vote: Council members Caspare, Freeman, Stylianou, Zamechansky, Manna-yes

Non-consent agenda

- #11-62 Approval of T&M Proposal-DPW Scope of Services for Remediation Next Phase-\$190,000

Councilman Freeman stated he will abstain because he asked for the detail behind the numbers in the proposal, which T&M will provide.

Councilman Stylianou explained that according to T&M, the numbers in the resolution are a worst case scenario. There are about fifteen line items comprising the proposal for \$190,000. During the executive meeting the Council had an opportunity to question T&M about each individual line item.

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

1. Sandy Fernandez, 199 Summit, asked for confirmation of the number of the wells at the DPW site and the usual procedure. What determines whether soil or water testing must be conducted? Will a “no further action” be issued on each well or all 23?

2. Kai Chen, 99 Teak Road, asked why the Council is voting if all the details aren’t clear. After Mr. Perkins explained that T&M has gotten only one quote so far for drilling and will get two more quotes Mr. Chen asked if it is budgetary and will it be voted on separately. He also asked if the letter cited in the resolution will be posted on the Borough website.

3. Robert Casey, 84 E. Linden Avenue, asked if this has anything to do with the wastewater treatment plant.

Motion to close to the public: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to adopt: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

Roll call vote: Council members Caspare, Stylianou, Zamechansky, Manna-yes

Councilman Freeman-abstain

#11-69 Bills List

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to close: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to adopt: Councilman Freeman

Second: Councilman Stylianou

Roll call vote: Council members Caspare, Freeman, Stylianou, Manna-yes

Councilwoman Zamechansky-abstain

ORDINANCES

First Reading

#1427 Amendment to Chapter 36-FIRE DEPARTMENT of the Dumont Code

Motion to waive formal reading: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Mr. Paster explained that this amends the Fire Department Code. It was adopted by the Fire Board and has to do with the eligibility for fitness for duty of firefighters.

Motion to adopt on first reading: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second : Councilman Freeman

Roll call vote: Council members Caspare, Freeman, Stylianou, Zamechansky, Manna-yes

Second Reading

#1426 Amendment to Chapter 216 FIRE PREVENTION of the Dumont Code

Mr. Paster explained that this is a revision of fees to make them consistent with State Code

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to adopt on second reading: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Roll call vote: Council members, Freeman, Stylianou, Zamechansky, Manna-yes

Councilman Caspare-abstained

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Council President Manna read the resolution to enter closed session to discuss matters involving the potential litigation, personnel, collective bargaining agreement or the terms or conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement.

Motion: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Freeman

Roll call vote: Council members Caspare, Freeman, Stylianou, Zamechansky, Manna-yes

Motion to adjourn from public meeting: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor.

Motion to go back into public following closed session: Councilman Stylianou

Second: Councilman Freeman

All in favor

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilman Caspare

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan Connelly, RMC

Borough Clerk